

JOEL W. GIBSON.

JANUARY 29, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. LAYTON, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany S. 2097.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 2097), granting an increase of pension to Joel W. Gibson, having considered the same, report:

This soldier's correct name is Joel W. Gibson. He served nearly two years in the late war as a corporal in Company F, One hundred and twenty-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and is now pensioned at the rate of \$45 a month for loss of leg, chronic diarrhea, and disease of rectum. His ailments have increased as he grows older, and the amount named in the bill is not too much under the circumstances.

Your committee therefore recommend that the bill be amended by substituting the letter "W" for "M" as the middle initial of claimant's name, in line 6, and, as so amended, that the bill pass.

Also amend the title so as to read: "A bill granting an increase of pension to Joel W. Gibson."